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Re: Application of Atsushi ITO, Yasuji HIRAMATSU,  
Yasutaka ITO, and Masakazu FURUKAWA  
WAFER PROBER  
Our Ref: Q60755

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 9 sheets of drawings.
- ☒ an English translation of Article 34 amendments.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.

**The Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated, after entry of the attached Preliminary Amendment, as follows:

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A check for the statutory filing fee of **\$918.00** is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to said Account. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492

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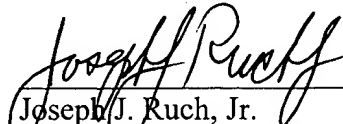
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which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from October 15, 1999, based on International Application No. PCT/JP99/05693.

Respectfully submitted,

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